

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Masaaki YAMAUCHI et al. : **Mail Stop: PCT**  
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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AGING :  
PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application  
as follows: